



The Post-Dispatch is not chucking over the outcome of the late contest for State Auditor. John P. Gordon was never indicted for malfeasance in office, or his integrity questioned. But the opposition of some newspapers is not governed by merit or alayed by merit. The thing that is beyond my understanding is, that any good Democrat pays heed to them. No prominent Democrat has escaped their persecution.

I REPRINT the following from the Legislative proceedings of Thursday as being of general as well as special interest:

The official report of the adjutant general to the legislature on Confederate pensions reveals there are 1812 on the pension lists and that it will be necessary for the legislature to appropriate \$386,880 to pay the pensions during 1917 and 1918 and approximately \$240,000 to pay back pensions for 1915 and 1916, a total of \$626,880. Several Confederate veterans have been here to urge an adequate appropriation for them. Representative Kunkel, Republican, introduced a bill to-day to throw some restrictions about the paying of the pensions. A bill is pending to appropriate \$50,000 for pensioning the members of the home guard militia which was called out in Missouri in the civil war. There have been over 1800 Confederates on the eligible roll but death and removals reduced the number to 1612.

Does Missouri need a new Constitution? In my humble opinion all the reform necessary for the general welfare may be attained under the present document. Various interests are urging "a new deal," so to speak, some of them from purely selfish motive. They want more power and less restriction in the indulgence of their fads and fancies. For instance, the instrument now in force limits taxation for school purposes. The school teachers in convention assembled have resolved in favor of a fundamental law that will permit them to tax me out of house and home if they see fit to do so in behalf of their "sacred" calling. I prefer the present condition. The other reasons advanced by the advocates of a new constitution do not appeal strongly to me, and I'm content to live under the old guarantee of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Experimenting is always expensive and sometimes hazardous.

The Great Missouri Pacific.

(The St. Louis Times.)

A system of railroad that means much to St. Louis and the Central West is about to emerge from the hands of its capable receiver. The Missouri Pacific, under the broad management of Benjamin F. Bush, has become a great system. If Mr. Bush is to succeed to the presidency, which seems but a matter of course, it is fair to assume that he will continue the big work in which he has been so deeply engaged to the end that the Missouri Pacific and the Central West will become, each to the other, what has always been meant for them.

There have been bad times in the history of the Missouri Pacific. It has suffered the sins of bad management and loose management. It has suffered from too much politics. It has suffered from unfortunate publicity. It was a machine at times when it should have been a railroad. Those days happily passed when Mr. Bush took charge. He astonished everybody when he took the lobby away from the State capitals and took the road out of politics. When he began to run the Missouri Pacific he went out on the line and ran it. He was not and is not a swivel chair president. He has hooked up New Orleans and St. Louis and the hooking process will continue until these great centers really know each other. He will follow his Sunshine Special relations with Texas until that empire will know only St. Louis as its metropolis. He will, if permitted to do so, make Denver and Salt Lake and San Francisco better acquainted with what we have here in this great central market.

So the receivership termination of the Missouri Pacific means a lot to this city. In our judgment it means the beginning of a new and greater central railroad system than the Middle West has ever known.

Do not fail to note the wonderful "REAL BARGAIN OFFER" made by that sterling newspaper, the ST. LOUIS GLOBE-DEMOCRAT, elsewhere in this issue. In spite of the enormously increased cost of production, the DAILY GLOBE-DEMOCRAT except Sunday, is offered to Rural Free Delivery and Star Route patrons (yearly subscriptions only) at the remarkably low rate of \$3.00 per year—or complete clubs of three or more, at the net club rate of only \$2.50 for each yearly subscription. The DAILY GLOBE-DEMOCRAT including Sunday is offered for

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Protection During Thunderstorm.

In the event of a lightning stroke on an unprotected building there is considerable danger to life, but there is no doubt that an unprotected house is preferable to the open, under trees, or in unprotected outbuildings. As shown when a stroke falls on an unprotected house sheltering a family of the average number of persons, the minimum chances of escape are 45 in 100. A nil probability, however, the chances of escape are much greater than this.

Weather Report.

Meteorological Report of Cooperative Observer at Ironton, Iron County, Mo., for the week ending Tuesday, January 23, 1917:

Days of Week.	Temperature		Precipitation
	Highest	Lowest	
Wednesday.....	17	33	19
Thursday.....	18	40	29
Friday.....	19	34	8
Saturday.....	20	48	20
Sunday.....	21	62	36
Monday.....	22	25	14
Tuesday.....	23	40	10

NOTE.—The precipitation includes rain, hail, sleet and melted snow, and is recorded in inches and hundredths. Ten inches of snow equal one inch of rain. "T" indicates trace of precipitation. W. H. DELANO, Observer.

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Order of Publication.

In the circuit court of Iron county, Missouri, December 9th, 1916, and ninth day of October term, 1916. The state of Missouri, at the relation and to the use of B. P. Burnham, collector of the revenue of Iron county, Missouri,

against
C. O. Graham, if living; or the unknown consort, heirs and devisees of C. O. Graham, if he be dead, defendants.

(Action to Enforce Lien for Taxes.)
Now at this day comes the plaintiff, B. P. Burnham, collector of the revenue of Iron county, Missouri, and it appearing from his petition and affidavit, among other things that the defendant, C. O. Graham, if living; or the unknown consort, heirs and devisees of C. O. Graham, if he be dead, are non-residents of the state of Missouri, and that they cannot be served with summons in said state; it is, therefore, ordered by the circuit court of Iron county, Missouri, in term time, that publication be made notifying said defendants that an action has been commenced against them in the circuit court of said county, the object and general nature of which is to enforce the lien of the state of Missouri on the following real estate, belonging to the said defendants for back taxes for the years 1913 and 1914, to wit:

Lot 13 in block 19 of the Murdock Crumb Company's subdivision of parts of sections 29 and 32, township 34, north, range 4 east. Tract 39 in section 35, township 34, north, range 3 east,—10.80 acres, as shown by Murdock Crumb Co. Plat book 3, page 6. All of the above described land being subject to the mineral reservation made by Big Muddy Coal & Iron company in book 43, page 241, Iron County Land Records,—said real estate being in Iron county, Missouri.

(An itemized statement in the nature of a tax bill showing the amount of taxes, interest and costs now due on the said real estate for the years aforesaid, amounting in the aggregate to the sum of four and 48-100 dollars, is filed with said petition as provided by law.)
And unless they be and appear at the term of said court to be held for the county of Iron, and state of Missouri, at the court house in said county on the fourth Monday in April next, 1917, and on or before the third day thereof (if the term shall so long continue; and, if not, then before the end of the term), and plead, answer or demur to said plaintiff's petition, the same will be taken as confessed, judgment rendered in accordance with the prayer of said petition, and said real estate, or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy said judgment, interest and costs, be sold under a special fieri facias to be issued thereon.

It is further ordered that a copy hereof be published according to law in the Iron County Register, a weekly newspaper published in said county of Iron, and state of Missouri.

JESSE M. HAWKINS, Circuit Clerk.
[SEAL] Witness my hand and official seal, this 21st day of December, 1916.
JESSE M. HAWKINS, Clerk
Circuit Court, Iron county, Mo.

Order of Publication.

In the circuit court of Iron county, Missouri, in vacation, December 23, 1916. The state of Missouri, at the relation and to the use of B. P. Burnham, collector of the revenue of Iron county, Missouri,

against
Fannie Tullock, John McAllister and John McAllister, if living; or the unknown consorts, heirs and devisees of John McAllister and John McAllister, if they be dead, defendants.

(Action to Enforce Lien for Taxes.)
Now at this day comes the plaintiff, R. P. Burnham, collector of the revenue of Iron county, Missouri, and files his petition and affidavit, setting forth among other things, that the defendants, John McAllister and John McAllister, if living; or the unknown consorts, heirs and devisees of John McAllister and John McAllister, if they be dead, are non-residents of the state of Missouri, and that they cannot be served with summons in said state;

It is therefore, ordered by the clerk of the circuit court of Iron county, Missouri, in vacation, that publication be made notifying said defendants that an action has been commenced against them in the circuit court of said county, the object and general nature of which is to enforce the lien of the state of Missouri on the following real estate, belonging to the said defendants for back taxes for the years 1913 and 1914, to wit:

The south half of lot three in block ten of the North Addition of the City of Ironton—said real estate being in Iron county, Missouri.

(An itemized statement in the nature of a tax bill showing the amount of taxes, interest and costs now due on said real estate for the years aforesaid, amounting in the aggregate to the sum of three and 55-100 dollars, is filed with said petition as provided by law.)

And unless they be and appear at the next term of said court to be held for the county of Iron, and state of Missouri, at the court house in said county on the fourth Monday in April next, 1917, and on or before the third day thereof (if the term shall so long continue; and, if not, then before the end of the term), and plead, answer or demur to said plaintiff's petition, the same will be taken as confessed, judgment rendered in accordance with the prayer of said petition, and said real estate, or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy said judgment, interest and costs, be sold under a special fieri facias to be issued thereon.

It is further ordered that a copy hereof be published according to law in the Iron County Register, a weekly newspaper published in said county of Iron, and state of Missouri.

JESSE M. HAWKINS, Circuit Clerk.
[SEAL] Witness my hand and official seal, this 23d day of December, 1916.

JESSE M. HAWKINS, Clerk
Circuit Court, Iron county, Mo.

Order of Publication.

In the circuit court of Iron county, Missouri, December 9th, 1916, and ninth day of October term, 1916. The state of Missouri, at the relation and to the use of B. P. Burnham, collector of the revenue of Iron county, Missouri,

against
Arthur R. Morrow, if living; or the unknown consort, heirs and devisees of Arthur R. Morrow, if he be dead, defendants.

(Action to Enforce Lien for Taxes.)
Now at this day comes the plaintiff, B. P. Burnham, collector of the revenue of Iron county, Missouri, and it appearing from his petition and affidavit, among other things, that the defendants, Arthur R. Morrow, if living; or the unknown consort, heirs and devisees of Arthur R. Morrow, if he be dead, are non-residents of the state of Missouri, and that they cannot be served with summons in said state; it is, therefore, ordered by the circuit court of Iron county, Missouri, in term time, that publication be made notifying said defendants that an action has been commenced against them in the circuit court of said county, the object and general nature of which is to enforce the lien of the state of Missouri on the following real estate, belonging to the said defendants for back taxes for the years 1913 and 1914, to wit:

Lot 9 in block 8 of the Murdock Crumb Subdivision of parts of sections 29 and 32, township 34, north, of range 4 east; tract 35 in section 27, township 34, north, of range 3 east, 10.70 acres as shown by Murdock Crumb plat book 3, page 6; all said land being subject to the mineral reservation made by Big Muddy Coal & Iron Company in book 53, page 211, Iron county Land Records,—said real estate being in Iron county, Missouri.

(An itemized statement in the nature of a tax bill showing the amount of taxes, interest and costs now due on said real estate for the years aforesaid, amounting in the aggregate to the sum of four and 15-100 dollars, is filed with said petition as provided by law.)
And unless they be and appear at the next term of said court to be held for the county of Iron, and state of Missouri, at the court house in said county on the fourth Monday in April next, 1917, and on or before the third day thereof (if the term shall so long continue; and, if not, then before the end of the term), and plead, answer or demur to said plaintiff's petition, the same will be taken as confessed, judgment rendered in accordance with the prayer of said petition, and said real estate, or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy said judgment, interest and costs, be sold under a special fieri facias to be issued thereon.

It is further ordered that a copy hereof be published according to law in the Iron County Register, a weekly newspaper published in said county of Iron, and state of Missouri.

JESSE M. HAWKINS, Clerk.
[SEAL] Witness my hand and official seal, this 21st day of December, 1916.

JESSE M. HAWKINS, Clerk
Circuit Court, Iron county, Mo.

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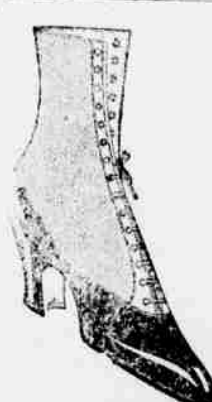
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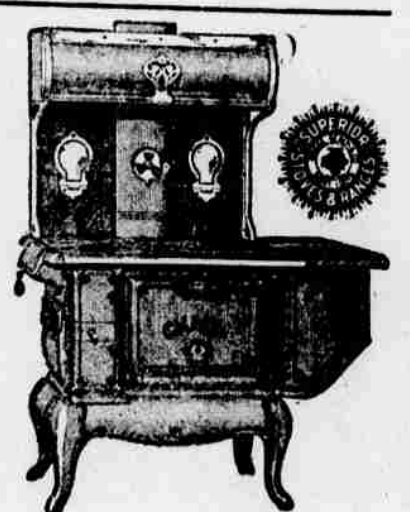
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